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MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, March 11, 2003
UU220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Continuation of the March 4, 2003 meeting

- I. Minutes: None.
- II. Communications and Announcements: Two handouts: Resolution Opposing a U.S. Military Attack Against Iraq and a roster of City and County Councils who have passed resolutions opposing preemptive war in Iraq.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Menon) Complete agenda packages are now available on the Academic Senate web site www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen click on Meetings. It is asked that all senators convey to their faculty that Faculty Interest Questionnaires are due at the Academic Senate Office no later than Friday, March 14. Please remind any incumbents that they must return the questionnaire if they are interested in continuing. Faculty Social Hour, sponsored by the College of Science and Math, is this Thursday, March 13 from 4-6 pm at the Alumni House. A great thanks to Jim Harris and his committee for all their work on creating this successful series of events.
 - B. President's Office: None.
 - C. Provost's Office: (Zingg) Would like to recognize Jim Maraviglia, Executive Director for Admissions and Recruitment, and his staff for the work that they do with the admissions and selection process. This year Cal Poly received 25,000 applications for 2,800 freshmen positions, 500 transfer positions, and several hundred graduate student positions. Cal Poly has a 36% rate of admissions ranking as the 4th most selective university in the nation. A 3.8 GPA and 1240 SAT is the minimum requirement, for a prospective student to receive an offer of admission. In regards to diversity, our campus is up to pre-proposition 209 levels with a number of offers of admission to students who will bring the ethnic diversity that the university values. There will be a budget summit in Long Beach on Friday, March 14, which could be observed from 10 – Noon in Building 2, Room 24. The current scenario is that there will be a 5 – 6.7% reduction for colleges and 7.5-11% for all others. If we do get the 5% reduction, we will have to cut enrollment.
 - D. Statewide Senators: (Hood) The following is a summary of the Academic Senate statewide meeting in Long Beach last week: A) There is a new report on intellectual property which includes updates on the latest legislation as well as recent legal decisions. It would be wise for our campus to obtain a copy from the web, have the Intellectual Property Committee review, and revise our policy to comply with the new laws. B) Bargaining between CSU and CFA has begun with sunshine openers aimed at minimizing the effect of the budget. The Vice Chancellor for Human Resources mentioned the possibility of a “Golden handshake” provided that the legislature funds it and that CFA agrees to it. C) There was a lot of talk about a “dimmer and grimmer” budget with the Governor's budget being the best possible budget at this time. Chancellor Reed made the following comments 1) If we have a 5% increase in enrollment, with the projected budget cuts, not all students will be able to get their classes. 2) If the U.S. goes to war, the economy will go down and that will have a further negative impact on higher education budgets.

- E. CFA Campus President: (Foroohar) A new report by the California State Auditor was released this morning and is available on the Academic Senate web page or by logging on to <http://www.bsa.ca.gov/bsa/summaries/2002110.html>. This report on CMS criticizes the CSU for not forecasting the cost of the project for the next 9 years, which is estimated to exceed \$600 million. The CSU response was to support the report.
- F. ASI Representatives: None.
- G. Other: None.

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Item(s):

- E. **Curriculum proposal for BS in Wine and Viticulture:** Hannings, chair of the Curriculum Committee, first reading. This new degree provides students with the hands-on experience and understanding of all aspects of the wine industry. This degree also provides three multidisciplinary concentrations: Agribusiness, Food Science (Enology), and Fruit Science (Viticulture). Jennifer Ryder Fox, Joseph Montecalvo, David Wehner, Phillip Doub, Bill Amspacher, and Kenneth Scott were in attendance to support the curriculum proposal and to answer any questions. David Wehner, CAGR Dean, mentioned that there is tremendous interest from the community and the industry to support this program since wine grapes are the number one agricultural commodity in our area. M/S/P to move proposal to a second reading. M/S/P to approve the proposal.
- D. **Curriculum proposal for change of degree title from BS to BFA in Art and Design:** Hannings, chair of the Curriculum Committee, first reading. This curriculum proposal changes the Bachelor of Science in Art and Design to a Bachelor of Fine Arts. This proposal is for a change of degree designation only. No curricular or programmatic changes will be needed or proposed. M/S/P to move proposal to a second reading. M/S/P to approve the proposal.
- C. **Resolution on Senior Project:** Breitenbach, chair of the Instruction Committee, first reading. This resolution is geared for faculty advocacy and provides them with principles to be adopted when advising senior project students. Greenwald made the following suggestions to the Instruction Committee: Add item 7 to read Unless otherwise specified in the I grade completion contract, an I grade for a senior project will convert to a grade of D- after one year. After much discussion on item 6 and the newly proposed item 7, it was decided to have the resolution return next quarter with any needed modifications for the second reading.
- F. **Resolution Against Unilateral U.S. Military Intervention in Iraq:** Menon, Chair of the Academic Senate, first reading. The first three WHEREAS clauses provide the basis for the entire resolution with the focus being on the 4th WHEREAS. The debate should not revolve on politics. Senator Brown brought this resolution to the Academic Senate as a request from a colleague and has been acting as editor of the resolution on behalf of the Academic Senate Executive Committee. M/S/F to move resolution to a second reading. After much debate, recommendations, and suggestions, it was decided to have the resolution return next quarter as a first reading item unless the issue becomes moot by then.

VI. Discussion Item(s): None.

VII. Meeting recessed at 5:00 pm.

Submitted by,

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